GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for the development to tribals in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan, till date, year-wise, scheme-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether all the State governments and Union Territories have utilised the amount provided to them for the purpose;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Union Government propose to launch any special programmes in the tribaldominated areas of the country during the year;

(f) if so, the details thereof;

(g) if not, the reasons therefor;

(h) whether any measures to assess the conditions of tribal inhabitants in all the States and Union Territories have been taken after formation of a separate nion Tribal Affairs Ministry;

(i) if so, the details thereof; and

(j) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(e) to (g) During the current financial year budget allocation has been made inter alia for the following new schemes, besides increasing the allocation for on-going schemes:

(i) Setting up of a National Institute for Research and Training in Tribal Affairswith a view to imparting training to high level Governmental functionaries, coordinate research activities of State Research Tribal Institutes, etc.

(ii) Setting up of the information and mass education cell.

(iii) Exchange of visits by tribal communities/delegations to various tribal and non tribal areas in the country.

(h) to (j) No Comprehensive study has been undertaken by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs toassess the conditions of tribals in various States/U.Ts. However, under the on- going scheme of Research and Training, the Ministry provides grants to various Tribal Research Institutes in their efforts to provide vital planning inputs by conducting research and evaluation studies, organizing seminars and workshops on matters connected with tribal development, etc. Grants are also provided to various research organistions for conducting studies and other related matters concerning the problems of tribals.